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1. WE COMPLETELY AGREE THAT VISITS OF NUCLEAR POWERED WARSHIPS (NPW) SHOULD BE HANDLED AS ROUTINELY AS POSSIBLE. ONLY IN EVENT THAT STRONG OBJECTIONS FROM OTHER REGIONAL STATES SUCCEED IN POLITICIZING SUCH VISITS SHOULD WE CONSIDER DEPARTING FROM STANDARD CLEARANCE REQUEST PROCEDURES WITH MFA AND IIN.

2. FOR THE RECORD, PRIOR TO VISIT OF BAINBRIDGE WE DID TAKE UNUSUAL STEP OF ALSO NOTIFYING MINISTRY OF COURT. WE DID SO FOR THREE REASONS:

A. IT WAS APPROPRIATE IN CONTEXT OF OUR CONTINUING EXCHANGE WITH GOI RE OUR INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL ACTIVITIES.

B. BAINBRIDGE WAS FIRST NPW TO CALL AT IRANIAN PORT.

C. WE HAD ONLY MINIMUM LEAD TIME BEFORE SHIP'S ARRIVAL AND, BECAUSE OF SPECIAL CHARACTER OF VISIT, CLEARANCE RESTRICTED TO NORMAL CHANNELS COULD HAVE MEANT DELAY. WITHIN THREE DAYS WE HAD BEEN INFORMED OF SHAH'S APPROVAL OF OUR REQUEST (REF B).

3. IN FUTURE, ALTHOUGH WE WILL IDENTIFY NPW'S FOR GOI, WE WILL FOLLOW LONG ESTABLISHED PROCEDURES IN REQUESTING CLEARANCES.

4. APPRECIATE COPY OF "STANDARD STATEMENT" FOR BACKGROUND.
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